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Certified Meat and Foods Inspector.

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A. SENIOR,
Certified Meat and Foods Inspector.
(From 9.3.64)

Secretary : MISS J. WHEELER

To the Chairman and Members of the Urban District Councils of Ellesmere, Wem and Whitchurch, and of the Rural Districts of Ellesmere and Wem.

In view of the proposed amalgamation of the Five Districts, I have kept the Report again to the same format. The first part of the report deals principally with Vital Statistics.

There were 367 deaths in the area during 1964, which is a decrease of 35 on 1963. Births for the combined area were 537 which is an increase of 7 on 1963. Births actually outnumbered deaths by 170.

Illegitimate Births show a percentage lower than that of the national figures for England and Wales, but during the past four years there has been a steady increase, the figure for 1964 being 31, which is an increase of 6 on the previous year.

The Infant Mortality rate is 16.8, which is well below the national figure of 20.0.

In the table showing causes of death—the largest single group of deaths is attributable to Coronary disease and Angina. The increase of Coronary disease is certainly one of our major problems today.

Infectious Disease Section—there have been minor outbreaks of Measles and Whooping Cough, but these do not appear to have been of a very severe nature.

During the year only one case of primary Tuberculosis was notified, which is a very encouraging sign.

The second part of the report contains the individual reports on the Sanitary circumstances of each District Council by their Public Health Inspectors.

These reports show that the work of these departments is still being carried out very satisfactorily, and the work is of a high standard.

The County Council provide for the care of Mothers and Young Children; Midwifery; Health Visiting; Home Nursing; Vaccination and Immunisation; Ambulance Services; Prevention of Illness; Care and After-care, including Mental Welfare; Domestic Help; and Inspection of Children's Nurseries.

All these services depend a lot on the co-operation of the Staffs and here we seem to be fortunate that this co-operation works very satisfactorily, and to the benefit of the community.

I have the honour to be

Your obedient servant,

S. SMITH

Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL STATISTICS, 1964

The following are the general statistics for the different districts in the area :—

ELLESMERE URBAN DISTRICT

Area in Acres	1,220
Population figure given by the Registrar General	2,360
Number of inhabited houses according to Rate Book on 1st April, 1964	803
Rateable Value 1st April, 1964	£75,343
Sum represented by a penny rate 1964/65	£306

WEM URBAN DISTRICT

Area in Acres	903
Population figure given by the Registrar General	2,750
Number of inhabited houses according to Rate Book on 1st April, 1964	930
Rateable Value 1st April, 1964	£93,667
Sum represented by a penny rate 1964/65	£378

WHITCHURCH URBAN DISTRICT

Area in Acres	6,053
Population figure given by the Registrar General	7,170
Number of inhabited houses according to Rate Book on 1st April, 1964	2,373
Rateable Value 1st April, 1964	£247,732
Sum represented by a penny rate 1964/65	£974

ELLESMERE RURAL DISTRICT

Area in Acres	48,253
Population figure given by the Registrar General	7,380
Number of inhabited houses according to Rate Book on 1st April, 1964	2,098
Rateable Value 1st April, 1964	£151,606
Sum represented by a penny rate 1964/65	£616

WEM RURAL DISTRICT

Area in Acres	60,343
Population figure given by the Registrar General	11,870
Number of inhabited houses according to Rate Book on 1st April, 1964	3,344
Rateable Value 1st April, 1964	£318,731
Sum represented by a penny rate 1964/65	£1,280

VITAL STATISTICS

	E/mere U.D.	Wem U.D.	W/church U.D.	E/mere R.D.	Wem R.D.
Live Births—Number	42	46	111	112	226
Rate per 1,000 Population ...	17.8	16.7	15.5	15.2	19.0
Illegitimate Live Births per cent of total Live Births	7.1	4.3	6.3	5.4	5.8
Stillbirths—Number	2	0	2	2	6
Rate per 1,000 total Live and Still Births	45.5	0	17.7	17.5	25.9
Total Live and Still Births ...	44	46	113	114	232
Infant Deaths	1	1	1	4	2
Infant Mortality Rates—					
Total Infant deaths per 1,000 total Live Births	23.8	21.7	9.0	35.7	9.0
Legitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 legitimate Live Births	25.6	22.7	9.6	37.7	4.7
Illegitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 illegitimate Live Births	0	0	0	0	76.9
Neo-Natal Mortality Rate ...	23.8	21.7	0	17.9	4.4
Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate	23.8	21.7	0	8.9	0
Perinatal Mortality Rate ...	68.1	21.7	17.7	26.3	25.9
Maternal Mortality—					
Number of Deaths	0	0	0	0	0
Rate per 1,000 total Live and Still Births	0	0	0	0	0

POPULATION

The excess of Births over deaths in the combined districts totalled 170.

Districts	Estimated Mid-year Population 1962	1963	1964	Difference
Ellesmere Urban	2,290	2,320	2,360	+ 40
Wem Urban	2,600	2,630	2,750	+120
Whitchurch Urban	7,150	7,160	7,170	+ 10
Ellesmere Rural	7,620	7,630	7,380	−250
Wem Rural	11,720	11,720	11,870	+150
Total	31,380	31,460	31,530	+ 70

BIRTHS

(a) **Live Births**—The Live Birth Rate for England and Wales was 18.4.

Districts	No. of Live Births, 1964 Male	Female	Total	Live Birth Rate per 1,000 Pop.	Corrected Birth Rate
Ellesmere Urban ...	18	24	42	17.8	19.8
Wem Urban ...	28	18	46	16.7	18.5
Whitchurch Urban	68	43	111	15.5	16.9
Ellesmere Rural ...	58	54	112	15.2	16.0
Wem Rural ...	101	125	226	19.0	19.8
Combined Districts	273	264	537	17.0	——

(b) **Still Births**—The number of Stillbirths was higher than in 1963. The Stilbirth rate per 1.000 Live and Stillbirths for England and Wales was 16.4.

The total number recorded in the combined Districts was 12 giving a Stillbirth rate of 21.9.

Districts	No. of Stillbirths 1962	1963	1964
Ellesmere Urban	1	3	2
Wem Urban	1	1	–
Whitchurch Urban	4	2	2
Ellesmere Rural	3	1	2
Wem Rural	3	1	6
Total	12	8	12

(c) **Illegitimate Births**—5.8% of all births during the year were illegitimate, compared with 4.7% in 1963 and 4.4% in 1962. 7.2% of all Births in England and Wales were illegitimate during 1964.

Districts	No. of Illegitimate Births 1962	1963	1964
Ellesmere Urban	2	1	3
Wem Urban	2	3	2
Whitchurch Urban	3	1	7
Ellesmere Rural	6	6	6
Wem Rural	11	14	13
Total	24	25	31

DEATHS

(a) All Causes

The number of deaths registered in the combined Districts during the year was 367, a decrease of 35 on the 1963 figure.

By applying the area comparability factor, the corrected death rate can be compared with the crude death rate for England and Wales, which was 11.3.

Districts	No. of Deaths Male	Female	Total	Death Rate per 1,000 Pop.	Corrected Death Rate
Ellesmere Urban	20	13	33	14.0	12.3
Wem Urban	17	15	32	11.6	11.4
Whitchurch Urban ...	53	45	98	13.7	9.3
Ellesmere Rural	40	28	68	9.2	10.1
Wem Rural	70	66	136	11.5	12.7
Total	200	167	367	11.6	—

(b) **Infant Mortality**

There were 9 deaths in the first year of life, this being 2 lower than the total of 11 for the previous year.

The Infantile Mortality rate for the combined Districts was 16.8 per 1,000 Live Births.

The Infantile Mortality rate for England and Wales was 20.0 per 1,000 Live Births.

(c) **Maternal Mortality**

No deaths attributable to childbirth, pregnancy, or abortion have been recorded during the year.

CAUSES OF DEATH, 1964

CAUSE	Ellesmere U.D.	Wem U.D.	Whitchurch U.D.	Ellesmere R.D.	Wem R.D.
Tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	—
Other forms of Tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	—
Syphilitic Disease	—	—	—	—	1
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—	—
Whooping Cough	—	—	—	—	—
Meningococcal Infections	—	—	—	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis	—	—	—	—	—
Measles	—	—	—	—	—
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	—	—	1	—	—
Malignant Neoplasm, stomach	2	2	4	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, bronchus	2	1	6	3	3
Malignant Neoplasm, breast	3	1	—	1	4
Malignant Neoplasm, uterus	—	—	—	—	—
Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms ...	3	5	9	6	13
Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	—	—	—	—	—
Diabetes	—	—	—	1	1
Vascular lesions of nervous system	4	5	12	10	20
Coronary disease, angina	6	6	16	11	24
Hypertension with heart disease	—	—	1	—	—
Other heart disease	4	5	23	7	22
Other circulatory disease	—	1	6	—	8
Influenza	—	—	1	2	—
Pneumonia	1	—	—	5	8
Bronchitis	3	—	2	5	2
Other diseases of the respiratory system ...	1	1	—	1	—
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	—	—	—	1	3
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—
Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	1	2	1	1
Hyperplasia of Prostate	—	—	2	—	1
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	—	—	—	—	—
Congenital malformations	1	1	1	—	4
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	1	1	8	8	12
Motor vehicle accidents	—	—	3	2	2
All other accidents	1	1	—	3	4
Suicide	—	1	1	—	2
Homicide and operations of war	—	—	—	—	—
All causes	33	32	98	68	136

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Notifiable Disease	Ellesmere U.D.	Wem U.D.	Whitchurch U.D.	Ellesmere R.D.	Wem R.D.	Total
Whooping Cough	—	1	—	2	54	57
Measles	43	15	71	33	113	275
Pneumonia	—	4	—	—	1	5
Scarlet Fever	—	1	9	—	10	20
Dysentery	—	—	10	—	2	12
Food Poisoning	—	—	—	—	—	—
Poliomyelitis (Paralytic) ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Poliomyelitis (Non-paralytic)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	—	—	—	—
Opthalmia Neonatorum ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlatina	—	—	1	—	—	1
Meningococcal Infections ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Respiratory Tuberculosis ...	—	—	—	1	—	1
Non-Respiratory Tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	—	—
Erysipelas	—	—	1	1	—	2
Acute Encephalitis	—	—	—	—	—	—

INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN ANIMALS

Dysentery—Several cases of Dysentery occurring in animals were notified to the M.O.H. in order that a watch could be kept on all human contacts. Although bacteria were recovered from the stools of human contacts in some instances, fortunately they never developed symptoms.

Lecture—During the year the Medical Officer of Health lectured to the students of Shropshire Farm Institute at Walford, Baschurch, on the relationship between diseases in humans and animals.

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

Vaccination against Whooping Cough, Poliomyelitis, Smallpox and Tuberculosis, as well as Immunisation against Diphtheria and Tetanus were carried out by General Practitioners, and by Clinic Doctors working in Local Health Authority Clinics and Schools in the area.

The County Medical Officer of Health has kindly supplied the numbers of each carried out in the various districts.

During the year, Quadruple vaccine (against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and polio) was available on prescription and was used by a few General Practitioners. Triple Antigen and Oral polio vaccine continued to be the most popular methods of immunising babies.

Figures inserted in brackets give 1963 totals for purposes of comparison.

PRIMARY VACCINATION AGAINST WHOOPING COUGH

Vaccinated by	Ellesmere Urban	Ellesmere Rural	Wem Urban	Wem Rural	Whitchurch Urban
County Council Medical Officers	(9) 13	(33) 22	(1) 2	(31) 27	(6) 4
General Practitioners	(40) 43	(99) 68	(43) 63	(119) 89	(71) 58
TOTALS	(49) 56	(132) 90	(44) 65	(150) 116	(77) 62

PRIMARY IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA

Immunised by	Ellesmere Urban	Ellesmere Rural	Wem Urban	Wem Rural	Whitchurch Urban
County Council Medical Officers	(9) 14	(37) 25	(2) 2	(38) 37	(7) 6
General Practitioners	(40) 43	(155) 105	(44) 74	(147) 90	(79) 58
TOTALS	(49) 57	(192) 130	(46) 76	(185) 127	(86) 64

RE-IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA

Immunised by	Ellesmere Urban	Ellesmere Rural	Wem Urban	Wem Rural	Whitchurch Urban
County Council Medical Officers	(11) 17	(20) 45	(1) 6	(11) 76	(1) 13
General Practitioners	(9) 5	(27) 74	(71) 90	(60) 94	(41) 54
TOTALS	(20) 22	(47) 119	(72) 96	(71) 170	(42) 67

VACCINATION AGAINST POLIOMYELITIS

Personnel who received three injections of Salk or three doses of Sabin (Oral) Vaccine, or four injections of Quadrilin

Vaccinated by	Ellesmere Urban		Ellesmere Rural		Wem Urban		Wem Rural		Whitchurch Urban	
County Council Medical Officers	(29)	30	(38)	33	(8)	2	(79)	52	(12)	12
General Practitioners	(34)	39	(310)	85	(48)	68	(88)	141	(47)	74
TOTALS	(63)	69	(348)	118	(56)	70	(167)	193	(59)	86

VACCINATION AGAINST POLIOMYELITIS

Personnel who received four injections of Salk or four doses of Sabin (Oral) Vaccine

Vaccinated by	Ellesmere Urban		Ellesmere Rural		Wem Urban		Wem Rural		Whitchurch Urban	
County Council Medical Officers	(28)	8	(105)	19	(11)	—	(107)	43	(39)	21
General Practitioners	(1)	3	(25)	31	(12)	76	(21)	60	(44)	37
TOTALS	(29)	11	(130)	50	(23)	76	(128)	103	(83)	58

PRIMARY VACCINATION AGAINST SMALLPOX

Vaccinated by	Ellesmere Urban		Ellesmere Rural		Wem Urban		Wem Rural		Whitchurch Urban	
County Council Medical Officers	(9)	10	(13)	17	(—)	2	(23)	24	(3)	4
General Practitioners	(12)	37	(24)	71	(29)	54	(40)	69	(24)	39
TOTALS	(21)	47	(37)	88	(29)	56	(63)	93	(27)	43

RE-VACCINATION AGAINST SMALLPOX

Vaccinated by	Ellesmere Urban		Ellesmere Rural		Wem Urban		Wem Rural		Whitchurch Urban	
County Council Medical Officers	(4)	—	(26)	1	(1)	—	(3)	4	(—)	—
General Practitioners	(1)	—	(22)	3	(13)	25	(9)	23	(6)	7
TOTALS	(5)	—	(48)	4	(14)	25	(12)	27	(6)	7

IMMUNISATION AGAINST TETANUS

Immunised by	Ellesmere Urban		Ellesmere Rural		Wem Urban		Wem Rural		Whitchurch Urban	
County Council Medical Officers	(13)	15	(66)	38	(2)	3	(44)	59	(7)	7
General Practitioners	(40)	43	(173)	138	(44)	74	(151)	110	(87)	71
TOTALS	(53)	58	(239)	176	(46)	77	(195)	169	(94)	78

RE-IMMUNISATION AGAINST TETANUS

Immunised by	Ellesmere Urban		Ellesmere Rural		Wem Urban		Wem Rural		Whitchurch Urban	
County Council Medical Officers	(5)	16	(11)	27	(1)	5	(9)	56	(1)	13
General Practitioners	(8)	6	(35)	79	(71)	92	(62)	96	(34)	58
TOTALS	(13)	22	(46)	106	(72)	97	(71)	152	(35)	71

VACCINATION AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS—B.C.G.

From September, 1959, the Ministry of Health indicated that personnel in the 13—18 year groups were eligible for B.C.G. vaccination. The figures given below, for the year 1964, include those dealt with in that age group, together with those of the 13 year olds. The work was done by School Medical Officers at maintained and independent Schools in the area.

Comparative figures for 1963 are given in brackets.

Schools of the Undermentioned Areas	Number given Mantoux Test	Number of Positive Reactors to Mantoux Test	Number of Negative Reactors to Mantoux Test	Number of Persons who received B.C.G.
Ellesmere Urban and Ellesmere Rural	(200) 129	(31) 10	(164) 114	(160) 112
Wem Urban and Wem Rural	(123) 85	(12) 9	(107) 72	(105) 69
Whitchurch Urban	(97) 85	(12) 13	(78) 72	(75) 72

YELLOW FEVER

During the year 1960, the County Health Department, Shrewsbury, became a recognised centre for the administration of Yellow Fever vaccine. Sessions are normally held at 3.00 p.m. on the first and third Mondays in the month, or by special appointment in emergency. A fee of 14/– is charged to each person vaccinated.

CLINICS AND HOSPITALS IN THE DISTRICTS TUBERCULOSIS

The Chest Physician attends at—

Whitchurch, Welfare Clinic, Deermoss Lane, the first Friday in each month from 11.0 a.m. to 1.0 p.m.

Copthorne Hospital, every Tuesday from 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m., every Wednesday and Thursday afternoon from 2.0 p.m. to 4.0 p.m.

VENEREAL DISEASES

Facilities for Treatment—Clinics.

Shrewsbury, No. 1, Belmont. MEN : Tuesdays and Fridays, 6.0 to 8.0 p.m.
WOMEN : Mondays, 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. Thursdays, 5.0 to 7.0 p.m.

HOSPITALS IN THE DISTRICTS

Deermoss Hospital, Whitchurch.

Ellesmere Cottage Hospital.

Whitchurch Cottage Hospital.

Cases of certain infectious diseases requiring hospital care are dealt with at Copthorne Hospital, Shrewsbury.

Sick children requiring hospital care used to be accommodated at Monkmoor Hospital, Shrewsbury. Hospital accommodation for sick children is now provided at Copthorne; and the Monkmoor Hospital is now used for the rehabilitation and care of geriatric patients.

Other hospitals which provide accommodation for the districts are :—
The Cross Houses Hospital, Shrewsbury.
The Royal Salop Infirmary.
The Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital, Shrewsbury.

The Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital, Oswestry.
Shelton Hospital, Shrewsbury.
Oswestry and District Hospital.

All these hospitals are administered by the Birmingham Regional Hospital Board which was constituted in accordance with the National Health Service Act.

In addition, the Maelor General Hospital and the War Memorial Hospital, both in Wrexham, receive patients from the Northern parts of the districts. These hospitals are administered by the Liverpool Regional Hospital Board.

LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY CLINICS

Under the National Health Service Act of 1946, the Salop County Council, as the Local Health Authority, became responsible for the administration of the following services, amongst others, within the County :—

Care of Mothers and Young Children :

Baschurch—Secondary Modern School

Child Welfare and Immunisation	Tuesdays — 1.30 p.m. — 4.30 p.m.

Medical Officer in attendance on the first Tuesday in every month.

Ellesmere—Brownlow Road

Ante-Natal Child Welfare and Immunisation	Tuesdays — 1.30 p.m. — 4.30 p.m. First Tuesday in the month 9.30 a.m. — 12 noon

Medical Officer in attendance first Tuesday in the month for both morning and afternoon sessions, on the third Tuesday afternoon in the month, and on the fifth afternoon in the month when there is a fifth Tuesday.

Shawbury—Parish Hall

Child Welfare and Immunisation	Tuesdays — 2.00 p.m. — 4.30 p.m.

Medical Officer in attendance on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

Wem—The Shrubbery

Child Welfare and Immunisation	Thursdays — 1.30 p.m. — 4.30 p.m.

Medical Officer in attendance on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month.

Whitchurch—Deermoss Lane

Ante-Natal	Tuesdays — 2.15 p.m. — 4.15 p.m. Midwife and Health Visitor in attendance.
Child Welfare and Immunisation	Thursdays — 1.30 p.m. — 4.30 p.m.

Medical Officer in attendance on the first and third Thursdays of the month.

AMBULANCE SERVICE

The Salop County Council, as the Local Health Authority under the National Health Service Act, make provisions for securing that ambulances and other means of transport are available, where necessary, for the conveyance of persons suffering from illness or mental defectiveness and expectant or nursing mothers from places in their area to places in or outside their area.

The Whitchurch District Council afford valued help to the County Council in facilitating and administering the local Ambulance Depot there.

LABORATORY FACILITIES

These are available at the Public Health Laboratory, Royal Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury, the Director being Dr. Alun Jones. This service originally instituted as an emergency basis, is now a permanent unit at the Royal Salop Infirmary, undertaking work for Local Authorities free of charge in so far as it is relevant to diagnosis. This service is invaluable, particularly in the bacteriological examination of food samples in cases of suspected food poisoning.

CHEST CLINICS, ETC.

Chest clinics, speech therapy clinics, and psychiatric out-patients clinics are held regularly at the Whitchurch Clinic. Patients are seen at these sessions by appointment, and are referred by the general practitioner, the hospital consultant or the school medical officer, as the case may be.

DENTAL SESSIONS

Dental sessions are held regularly at each of the three Local Authority clinics, at Ellesmere, Wem and Whitchurch, where patients are seen by appointment with the dental officer.

Ellesmere	...	Brownlow Road
Wem	...	The Shrubbery
Whitchurch	...	Deermoss Lane

WELFARE FOODS

Each of the Local Authority clinics is open at set times for the sale of these foods. Mothers attending the clinics are informed of these times and of any local variations there may be.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948
SECTION 47

There was no need for compulsory removal of any of the cases investigated during the year.

DISABLED PERSONS EMPLOYMENT ACT, 1944

Several children leaving school were referred by the School Medical Officers for appropriate training.

TRAINING CENTRES FOR SEVERELY SUB-NORMAL CHILDREN

Classes for severely sub-normal children continued to be held on two days per week at Whitchurch Child Welfare Centre and on one day a week at Wem Clinic, up to five children attending each centre under the charge of Mrs. Haughton.

PRE-EMPLOYMENT MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

During 1964 the Medical Officer of Health made several dozen such examinations on behalf of the various district Councils. Some relatively trivial abnormalities, e.g. eye defects, were discovered.

MINIATURE MASS RADIOGRAPHY SURVEY

The regular visit of the Unit to Whitchurch was continued on the first Friday in every month. Attendances at all sessions were uniformly good. In addition, the Unit visited Wem. Several cases of pulmonary and cardiac disease previously unknown were brought to light.

DOMICILIARY HEALTH SERVICES

During 1964, Home Helps were employed in the N.W. combined districts. They provided an invaluable service by enabling patients to remain at home during times of pregnancy and illness, and also by caring for the disabled and aged infirm.

BLOOD TRANSFUSION

Blood donor sessions continued at Whitchurch, Wem, Ellesmere and Shawbury. Attendances increased in all areas.

HEALTH EDUCATION

This is a continuous function of the Department. Posters regarding health matters are continuously displayed in the five districts, and positive efforts are being made by talks, demonstrations, etc., at clinics and other places in the districts. All five districts now subscribe independently to the Central Council for Health Education, which gives valuable help with health propaganda.

INFANT MORTALITY

DISTRICT	Under 1 day		1-7 days		7 days to 1 month		1-3 months		3-6 months		6-9 months		9-12 months		Total		Combined Total	Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
Ellesmere U.D. ...	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	23.8
Wem U.D. ...	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	21.7
Whitchurch U.D.	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	9.0
All Urban Districts	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	3	15.1
Ellesmere R.D. ...	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	—	4	35.7
Wem R.D. ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	2	9.0
All Rural Districts	—	—	1	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	6	—	6	17.8

NEO-NATAL MORTALITY

Districts	Deaths of infants under 1 month	Total infant deaths	Neo-Natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births
Ellesmere U.D.	1	1	23.8
Wem U.D.	1	1	21.7
Whitchurch U.D.	0	1	0
All Urban Districts	2	3	10.0
Ellesmere R.D.	2	4	17.9
Wem R.D.	1	2	4.4
All Rural Districts	3	6	8.9

CANCER

Districts	Deaths M	Deaths F	Total	Rate per 1,000 Population
Ellesmere U.D.	4	6	10	4.24
Wem U.D.	6	3	9	3.27
Whitchurch U.D.	13	6	19	2.65
All Urban Districts	23	15	38	3.09
Ellesmere R.D.	8	3	11	1.49
Wem R.D.	13	8	21	1.77
All Rural Districts	21	11	32	1.66

TUBERCULOSIS
ELLESMERE URBAN DISTRICT
NOTIFICATIONS DURING 1964

	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Total	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Civilian Cases	—	—	—	—	—	—
Service Cases	—	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cured	1	2	—	—	1	2
Left District	—	—	—	—	—	—
Deaths	—	—	—	—	—	—

Number of cases on Register at end of 1964 :

Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Total	
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
4	1	1	1	5	2

Number of Primary Notifications in 1964—NONE.

WEM URBAN DISTRICT
NOTIFICATIONS DURING 1964

	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Total	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Civilian Cases	—	—	—	—	—	—
Service Cases	—	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cured	—	—	—	—	—	—
Left District	—	—	—	—	—	—
Deaths	—	—	—	—	—	—

Number of cases on Register at end of 1964 :

Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Total	
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
7	5	2	1	9	6

Number of Primary Notifications in 1964—NONE.

WHITCHURCH URBAN DISTRICT
NOTIFICATIONS DURING 1964

	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Total	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Civilian Cases	—	—	—	—	—	—
Service Cases	—	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers	1	—	—	—	1	—
Totals	1	—	—	—	1	—
Cured	2	—	—	—	2	—
Left District	—	1	—	1	—	2
Deaths	1	—	—	—	1	—

Number of cases on Register at end of 1964 :

Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Total	
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
19	15	11	2	30	17

Number of Primary Notifications in 1964—NONE.

ELLESMERE RURAL DISTRICT
NOTIFICATIONS DURING 1964

	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Total	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Civilian Cases	—	1	—	—	—	1
Service Cases	—	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	—	1	—	—	—	1
Cured	3	1	—	—	3	1
Left District	—	—	—	—	—	—
Deaths	—	—	—	—	—	—

Number of cases on Register at end of 1964 :

Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Total	
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
9	6	3	2	12	8

Number of Primary Notifications in 1964—ONE.

WEM RURAL DISTRICT
NOTIFICATIONS DURING 1964

	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Total	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Civilian Cases	—	—	—	—	—	—
Service Cases	—	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers	—	1	—	—	—	1
Totals	—	1	—	—	—	1
Cured	—	1	1	1	1	2
Left District	—	—	—	—	—	—
Deaths	1	—	—	—	1	—

Number of cases on Register at end of 1964 :

Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Total	
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
18	12	6	3	24	15

Number of Primary Notifications in 1964—NONE.

TUBERCULOSIS

TABLE SHOWING NOTIFICATIONS FOR THE COMBINED DISTRICTS FOR THE YEAR

	Respiratory		Total	Non-respiratory		Total	Total of all Notifications
	M.	F.		M.	F.		
Ellesmere U.D.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wem U.D.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Whitchurch U.D. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
All Urban Districts	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ellesmere R.D.	—	1	1	—	—	—	1
Wem R.D.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
All Rural Districts	—	1	1	—	—	—	1

Ellesmere Urban District Council

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S REPORT, 1964

Water Supply

The Urban District takes a bulk supply of chlorinated water from the Liverpool Corporation's Vyrnwy Aqueduct. All properties within the area are on this mains supply and supplies are afforded to the surrounding Rural District in various places. Samples taken during the year have all been of high quality and no problems have arisen in either quality or quantity of water.

No cases have occurred necessitating any precautions against plumbo solvency.

Amount consumed by Urban District	46,360,000
Number of domestic premises in District	803
Number of domestic premises supplied direct from mains	803
Number of houses supplied by standpipe	0

There are no Reservoirs in the District, all water being supplied direct to consumers under mains pressure. No further treatment is given.

Drainage, Sewerage and Sewage Disposal

The major part of the town is sewered on a partially separate system to the Wharf Meadow sewage works where it is first received at the pumping station and after screening and passing through detritus tanks is delivered into compressed air ejectors and delivered to the final purification and disposal section of the works. During the year it has been necessary to build lagoons to improve the quality of the final effluent.

The Elson area of the town, part of Trimpley, also the greater part of the Council Housing Estates, are sewered on a combined system discharging into the Old Newnes Brook Works, which is a gravity flow system, no pumping being involved, whilst part of the Council Housing Estates discharge on a partially separate system to the Newnes Brook Works where the settled effluents are raised by pumping before discharging on to the filters. The Council has under discussion a scheme for terminating both the Newnes Brook Works as sewage disposal stations in which these stations would be combined as a pumping station to deliver the sewage to the Wharf Meadow Disposal Station for final disposal, thereby reducing the present three disposal works to one.

The Mereside area, which is below the Town main sewer level, is sewered to the Mereside No. 1 and Mereside No. 2 pumping stations, the soil sewage being delivered to the Church Street sewer on the main sewer system discharging to the Wharf Works.

A small area in the Swan Hill part of the town which is below the level of the main sewer is also under consideration for the installation of a collecting and pumping station similar to the Mereside No. 2 sewage receiving and pumping station which will, if installed, deliver to the Wharf Works.

There are still many houses in the town with no mechanical means of flushing their water closets.

Public Conveniences

Public Conveniences for both sexes are situated in the town at the sites listed below :

	Cross Street	Both sexes	
	Mereside	Both sexes	
†	Cremorne Gardens	Both sexes	
†	Cremorne Children's Playground	Both sexes	(children only)

† Provided by Mere Joint Committee.

Disinfections and Disinfestations

Council Tips are regularly treated for flies, crickets and similar insect pests.

Stock vehicles using the Smithfield are required to wash and disinfect under Council Staff supervision, and routine cleansing and disinfecting are carried out at the Smithfield and Mortuary.

Housing

Number of new houses built (Council)	0
Number of new houses built (Private)	6
Number of Improvement Grant Applications received, approved and completed	1
Number of houses reported unfit for human habitation	1
Number of unfit houses empty	4
Number of unfit houses demolished	0
Number of families on housing list	110
Number of houses reported for minor defects	13
Number of houses with minor defects remedied	13
Number of houses reported for being dirty	0
Number of houses reported for being verminous	0

A start has been made on erecting 50 Council Houses on the Cattis Lane site and when completed it is intended to re-house the occupiers of many of the unfit houses in the town.

Very few owners of houses lacking in amenities have applied for improvement grants.

Meat and Food Preparing Premises

There are no slaughterhouses or knackers yards within the Urban District.

All meat and offals are distributed from central slaughtering and meat depots to the shops in metal lined closed vans capable of being thoroughly cleansed and sterilized and kept closed during transit. All offals are transported in metal containers. The personnel employed in the distribution of the meat and offals wear waterproof aprons, overalls and caps.

A considerable increase in Food Hygiene Standards has been attained this year and many improvements and alterations are in hand at present.

Food Shops

These premises also are in process of improvement and alteration and standards have risen accordingly.

Food Preparing Premises

Number of Food Preparing Premises	29
Number of Inspections	59

Two premises have been closed by the occupiers rather than carry out the necessary improvements.

Other Food Premises

Number of premises	32
Number of inspections	75

Condemned Foods

Foodstuffs condemned during the year as unfit for human food and which had been surrendered for destruction were as follows :

Canned Meats	105 lb.
Canned Fruit	45 lb.
Other Foodstuffs	29 lb.

Numerous items of packaged foods were also surrendered and destroyed during the year.

Mortuary

This building is entirely under the control of the Urban Council. It is situate within the curtilage of the local Police Station at The Limes, Willow Street.

The conditions of use remain unchanged, Urban residents having the free use of the service when required, a charge being made to all other users. Routine cleansing and disinfections are regularly carried out, as well as after each occasion when the building has been in use.

The building has been used on 5 occasions.

Pests Acts

The duties are carried out by Council Staff who treat all Council properties and sewers as routine. Domestic premises are treated free and business premises are charged for treatments.

Number of premises found infested with rats	24
Number of premises found infested with mice	0
Number of visits and revisits	171
Number of domestic premises treated free	15

The sewers are now virtually free of rats.

Refuse Collection and Salvage

The service is satisfactorily carried out by a contractor who makes a fortnightly collection over the whole district. A weekly collection would be more desirable.

Waste paper is collected, baled and sold, although prices at present are not economic.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963.

The number of premises registered during the year were 57 made up as follows : 14 Offices, 36 Retail Shops, 7 Catering Establishments Open to the Public, Canteens. None of the premises was inspected.

Analysis of Persons Employed in Registered Premises by Workplace

Offices	81
Retail shops	103
Wholesale departments, warehouses	Nil
Catering establishments open to the public	26
Canteens	Nil
Fuel storage depots	Nil
TOTAL	210
Total Males	81
Total Females	129

ELLESMERE URBAN DISTRICT

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

URBAN DISTRICT OF ELLESMERE IN THE COUNTY OF SALOP

Prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1.—**INSPECTIONS** for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Number of Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	—	—	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	15	18	5	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) ...	3	8	—	—
TOTAL	18	26	5	—

2.—CASES IN WHICH **DEFECTS** WERE FOUND

(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases")

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
			Referred		
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) unsuitable or defective	8	7	—	—	—
(c) not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-work) ...	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	8	7	—	—	—

Wem Urban District

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S REPORT

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT, 1964

Water Supply

Water for domestic and trade purposes is supplied from the waterworks at Preston Brockhurst, the East Shropshire Water Board being the water authority for the district.

All samples taken for bacteriological analysis during the year proved to be satisfactory and the supply is ample in quantity.

Number of dwellings supplied directly from the mains. 957

Number of population supplied by water mains 2680

Swimming Baths

There are no public swimming baths in the Urban district.

Housing

Four houses were closed and three demolished during 1964. An estate of 24 flats was built by the Council. 24 houses were constructed during the year by private enterprise and 19 are in process of erection. One Improvement Grant was approved.

Drainage and Sewerage

Apart from one outlying section, the district is adequately sewered. The sewer in Station Road was completely renewed during the year. The sewage works, completed in 1960, is one of the most modern in the country.

Number of houses connected to public sewers 931

Number of houses with private sewage disposal arrangements 22

Number of houses without a watercloset 4

Public Conveniences

There are four Public Conveniences in the district, located in the Market Hall and on the Recreation Ground.

Moveable Dwellings

Two visits were made to the two licensed caravan sites in Wem.

Common Lodging Houses

There are no common lodging houses in the district.

Food Premises

Bakers	5
Butchers	5
Cafes and Restaurants	4
Fried Fish Shops	2
Fishmongers	1
Grocers	15
Sweet Shops	6

88 visits were made to food premises in 1964.

Ice Cream

All ice cream dealers serve pre-packed ice cream.

Disposal of Condemned Food

The unfit food voluntary surrendered during the year was disposed of at the refuse tip.

Tins	Packets	Beef	Bacon	Fish
Meat 60 lbs.	Biscuits 7 oz.	63 lbs.	9 lbs.	7 lbs.
Fruit 4 lbs. 15 oz.	Cheese 2 lbs. 12 oz.			
Jam 11 lb.	Cereal 3 lbs. 4 oz.			
	Christmas Pudding 5 lbs. 4 oz.			

Slaughterhouses, Butchers and Meat Inspection

28 pigs were slaughtered in the only slaughterhouse in the area. There were no condemnations.

4 slaughtermen were licensed by the Council, and 60 visits were made to the slaughterhouse and butchers shops of the district.

Infectious Diseases

6 visits were made in connection with infectious diseases.

Food Poisoning

No cases of food poisoning were notified during 1964.

Refuse Collection and Disposal

Collection and disposal of refuse is carried out by direct labour. In order to speed up the collection three men are employed; one brings out the bins to the pavement's edge ready for the arrival of the refuse vehicle, and returns it after it has been emptied.

Two tips are in use; one at Palms Hill and one at Grinshill. The increase in the number of dwelling houses during the year has imposed a strain on the service.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

Inspection of premises under this Act were carried out as follows :

Number of properties inspected	75
(a) Council properties	19
(b) Dwelling houses	22
(c) Agricultural premises	8
(d) Other premises, including business and industrial	26
Number of properties found to be infested with rats (including Council Property)	52
Number of notices served under Section 4 of the Act	0
Number of properties cleared of rats (including Council property)	37
Number of premises where rodent control was in progress by occupiers at end of the year	15

Nuisances

35 visits were made regarding drainage problems, smoke nuisances and the keeping of animals.

Verminous Premises

6 houses which were found to be verminous were disinfected.

Pet Animals Act, 1951

There are no licensed Pet Shops in the Urban District.

Petroleum Acts

One new petrol tank was tested and licensed during 1964, and the total number on the register is now 14.

22 visits were made in connection with the Petroleum Acts.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

The main provisions of this new Act came into force on August 1st, 1964. The bulk of the inspections have been carried out by Mr. W. H. Purslow, and it is obvious that a great deal of work will be needed to bring all the registered premises up to the standard required.

The following is a summary of the inspections made up to the end of the year :

	No. of registered premises	No. receiving a general inspection
Offices	9	7
Retail Shops	28	10
Warehouses	1	1
Catering Establishments	4	3

A total of 58 visits were made.

During the weeks when I was on holiday, my duties were performed by Mr. W. H. Purslow, retired Chief Public Health Inspector of the Atcham Rural District Council, and I am most grateful to him for his assistance.

WEM URBAN DISTRICT

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

URBAN DISTRICT OF WEM IN THE COUNTY OF SHROPSHIRE

Prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1.—**INSPECTIONS** for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Number of Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	1	3	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	29	41	—	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) ...	3	3	—	—
TOTAL	33	47	—	—

2.—CASES IN WHICH **DEFECTS** WERE FOUND

(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases")

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
			Referred		
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) unsuitable or defective	—	—	—	—	—
(c) not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-work) ...	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	—	—	—	—	—

Whitchurch Urban District

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S REPORT, 1964

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S VISITS AND OF NOTICES SERVED DURING 1964

NATURE OF INSPECTION	No. of visits
General Sanitation :	
Water supply and sampling	—
Drainage	15
Tents, vans and sheds	2
Factories	29
Theatres and other places of entertainment	11
Refuse collection and disposal	42
Rodent Control	4
Pet Shops	2
Miscellaneous sanitary visits	31
Under Public Health Act, 1936 :	
Number of houses inspected	35
Number of re-visits	52
Under Housing and Rent Acts :	
Number of houses inspected	16
Number of re-visits	3
Under the Clean Air Act, 1956 :	
Number of premises visited	12
Number of smoke observations made	2
Council Houses :	
Number of visits	2500
Number of Council House applicants visited	45
Infectious Diseases :	
Enquiries	20
Visits	20
Disinfections	—
Meat and Food Inspection and Food Premises :	
Inspection of Meat at Slaughterhouse	332

Premises Inspected :

Butchers, shops and stalls	12
Fishmongers and Poulterers	8
Grocers	29
Greengrocers	10
Ice Cream Premises	6
Restaurants and Dining Rooms	40
Fried Fish Shops	16
Bakehouses	12
Weekly Produce Market	38

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S NOTICES SERVED

Under Public Health Act, 1936 :

Informal Notices served	35
Complied	30
Formal Notices served	—

Under Food and Drugs Act, 1955—Section 13 :

Informal Notices served	6
Complied	6

RAINFALL

The total rainfall for the year was 21.04 inches as compared with 22.90 inches for 1963, as recorded at Pauls Moss, Whitchurch.

The wettest month was March with 2.62 inches and the dryest month was January with .64 inches. The maximum rainfall in 24 hours was .74 inches on 24th March, 1964.

TEMPERATURE

The average temperatures for the year in degrees fahrenheit as recorded at Pauls Moss, Whitchurch, were as follows :

	1962	1963	1964
January	38.0	25.5	37.5
February	40.5	30.5	39.2
March	36.5	43.0	39.0
April	45.0	47.5	46.3
May	50.5	52.0	56.5
June	57.0	58.5	56.5
July	60.0	59.5	59.6
August	57.5	57.5	60.0
September	54.0	54.5	55.5
October	49.5	50.5	46.1
November	42.0	44.5	43.2
December	34.0	36.0	35.8
Average temperature for the year	47.0	46.6	47.9

The maximum temperature recorded was 80 deg. F., 26.6 deg. C., on 5th August, and the minimum was 14 deg. F., −10 deg. C., on the 27th December.

WATER SUPPLY

The Water Undertaking is now under the Authority of the East Shropshire Water Board.

SWIMMING BATH

A detailed inspection was carried out to the Swimming Baths during the year and work was carried out to the chimney which required partly demolishing. Minor repairs were carried out to doors and windows. Water supplying the swimming baths is from the towns mains and is treated by filtration and chlorination over a turnover period of every 4½ hours. Attendances over 1963 showed a marked increase, which is due to the popularity of the season being extended.

It is interesting to note that the Schools of Shropshire and Cheshire, also Clubs, are utilising the facilities.

The attendances during 1964 were 35,153 as against 1963 of 31,968. Attendances were as follows :

	1961	1962	1963	1964
Schools	11,445	18,145	18,481	18,153
Slipper Baths	269	253	380	282
Youth Clubs	474	252	246	238
Other attendances	12,588	14,152	12,561	16,480

SEWAGE WORKS

A new scheme for the proposed extension and enlargement of the Sewage Works was submitted by the Council's Consulting Engineers, and the design and reports studied by the Council's Engineer and Surveyor.

Following considerable technical research by the Engineer and Surveyor into the possibility of adapting and combining a new method of treatment which is based on the Contact Stabilization process, the Council have recommended that preliminary enquiries be carried out. This work is now in hand.

HOUSING ACT, 1957 SLUM CLEARANCE

During the year work was commenced for the erection of 6 Flats and construction is well in progress.

Again, I have to report that owing to the shortage of Council House Dwellings, further inspections have had to be deferred in carrying out our second five-year Housing Programme.

Instructions were also given for the design of 14 Semi-detached Bungalows in Sharps Drive and these were carried out and tenders invited.

During the year the following number of houses were inspected and closed :

Houses inspected	14
Houses closed	14
Houses demolished	2

There were 66 housing applications received during the year. This brings the total up now to 262.

HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959

During the year there were 6 applications received for Standard Grants and 7 Discretionary Grants.

Every effort is made by the Department to encourage house owners to improve their properties with the assistance of Improvement Grants, and in my opinion far too few are taking advantage of these Grants.

RODENT CONTROL

The following number of Surveys and Treatments were carried out during the year :

	Surveys	Treatments
Council Properties	69	45
Business Premises	120	45
Dwelling Houses	40	37

All work to business premises is carried out by contract, and it is pleasing to note that most food premises avail themselves of this service.

DISINFESTATION

Several minor infestations of woodworm were treated with an approved insecticide. Three properties required the renewal of floorboards and joists, and treatments were carried out with an approved insecticide.

DISINFECTION

All books prior to return to the Public Library from households where there had been a case of infectious disease, were disinfected in the fumigator.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

The collection of refuse since the reorganisation has proved to be most successful in that it has effected a considerable saving in manpower and transportation.

Refuse is collected on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and a fortnightly collection is made at Grindley Brook, Broughall, Hinton Bank and Redbrook. There is a special collection for waste paper salvage on a Tuesday and this service to the tradespeople appears to be working satisfactorily.

The scale of charges for the collection of trade refuse is as follows :

£2/12/0d. per dustbin per annum and each trade premise establishment is allowed 1 free dustbin in addition. All refuse is disposed of at the Tarporley Road refuse tip, which is suitably controlled. I am pleased to report that no complaints were received during the year.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Several repairs have again been necessary during the year following the result of damage arising from vandalism. Every effort, however, is made to keep the conveniences in a satisfactory order and in a state of hygiene.

Plans were approved for the construction of a new Ladies and Gents Convenience at the White Lion Bus Station and Car Park. It is hoped that work will be commenced within the near future.

CLEAN AIR ACT

Smoke observations have been carried out during the year, but there have been no serious emissions of smoke pollution.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936

Further warnings were given to Council House tenants for failing to keep their houses in a sanitary condition. As a result it was necessary to enforce the provision of the Public Health Act, 1936.

A Notice was also served on the occupier of a private dwelling regarding the unwholesome and insanitary conditions of the house and furniture, however, this case involved the attendance of the Medical Officer of Health and Health Visitor since the person concerned was in need of care and medical attention. In my opinion, such cases need the help and co-operation of the Welfare Department in order that any problems and domestic difficulties might be given suitable attention.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

The following registrations were made during the year :

Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale Shops
26	91	2

Catering Establishment	Fuel Storage Depots
17	2

The above-mentioned premises employ 576 males and 359 females.

The Office, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963 is the most comprehensive legislation enacted by Parliament, for the inspection of premises. It is particularly notable in that specific standards are defined for the improvement of sanitary accommodation, washing facilities, heating and lighting, provision of drinking water facilities, facilities for consuming meals at premises, the prevention of overcrowding, and the necessity for regular cleansing of Offices, passages, staircases, etc. Regulations are also provided for the protection of dangerous machinery and the reporting of accidents regardless how slight. This Act, no doubt, will add to the comfort and safety of all persons engaged in employment which hitherto left a great deal to be desired.

PLACES OF ENTERTAINMENT

There are two places of entertainment, and the sanitary accommodation has to be continually observed to maintain the necessary standards. A Notice was served on one place of entertainment for the immediate compliance and improvement both of the sanitary accommodation to the male and female closets, and for the cleansing of walls to the Theatre.

PETROLEUM ACT, 1928 and 1936

There are 32 premises licensed for the storage of petroleum spirit in this district.

SMITHFIELD

The Smithfield is now used on Fridays only. Auctions are held alternatively by two local Auctioneers. Following markets extensive disinfection is carried out by the Council's workmen, and washing bays are provided and supervised by the Urban Council.

A new washing down bay was commenced, part of roadway resurfaced and a new boundary wall built.

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1933 and 1958

7 persons applied for renewal of their slaughterman's licence.

PUBLIC ABATTOIR

There were no notifiable outbreaks of animal diseases during the year. 100% Meat Inspection is carried out daily at this Abattoir from Monday to Saturday, and every effort is made to ensure the maximum standard of hygiene is maintained.

The small lairages were reconstructed towards the end of the year and in addition, a new car park and an improved access was formed to the rear of the abattoir.

BOARDING OF ANIMALS ACT, 1960

There are no premises registered under the Boarding of Animals Act within the Urban District.

AGRICULTURE SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE PROVISIONS ACT, 1956

The Urban District Council is the Authority for the enforcement of the provision of the above-mentioned Act.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Several inspections were carried out during the year and the standard of hygiene was found to be generally satisfactory. Again I have to report that the covered market presents a difficult problem of arranging food stalls in order to avoid contamination to foodstuffs.

Two serious warnings were given to ice-cream salesmen operating from outside this area for failing to comply with Food Hygiene Regulations, 1960.

Following discussions regarding the preparation and sale of foodstuffs by the Women's Institute arrangements were made for the inspection of all households where foodstuffs were prepared. Without exception every house inspected proved to be exceptionally satisfactory, and it is very pleasing to note how carefully homemade confections, etc., are prepared.

THE OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

TABLE A—Registrations and General Inspections.

Class of Premises	Number premises registered during the year	Total number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	26	26	1
Retail Shops	91	91	11
Wholesale shops, warehouses ...	2	2	—
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens ...	17	17	1
Fuel Storage depots	2	2	—
TOTALS	138	138	13

TABLE B—Number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to Registered Premises—13.

TABLE C—Analysis of Persons employed in Registered Premises by Workplace.

Class of Workplace	Number of Persons employed
Offices	223
Retail Shops	560
Wholesale departments, warehouses	9
Catering establishments, open to the public	134
Canteens	2
Fuel storage depots	7
TOTAL	935
Total Males	576
Total Females	359

INSPECTION OF MEAT

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	1,134	1,221	559	7,111	3,830
Number inspected	1,134	1,221	559	7,111	3,830
ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS AND CYSTICERCOSIS :					
Whole carcases condemned	2	33	22	82	90
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	542	855	76	1,066	820
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticercosis	48.43%	70.02%	13.05%	14.96%	21.43%
TUBERCULOSIS ONLY :					
Whole carcases condemned	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	40
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	1.04%
CYSTICERCOSIS ONLY :					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1	4	—	—	—
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration ...	1	4	—	—	—
Generalised and totally condemned	—	—	—	—	—

41,247 lbs. of Meat and 26,332 lbs. of Offal were condemned

WHITCHURCH URBAN DISTRICT

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

URBAN DISTRICT OF WHITCHURCH IN THE COUNTY OF SHROPSHIRE

Prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1.—**INSPECTIONS** for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Number of Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	7	23	2	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	61	38	17	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) ...	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	68	61	19	—

2.—CASES IN WHICH **DEFECTS** WERE FOUND
(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases")

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	Referred By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ...	8	8	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) unsuitable or defective	6	6	—	—	—
(c) not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-work) ...	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	14	14	—	—	—

Ellesmere Rural District Council

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S REPORT, 1964

Water Supplies

The Southern Area Scheme has now been completed and The Northern Area Scheme should be completed during 1965.

The Council's duties as a Water Undertaking were taken over by the West Shropshire Water Board with effect from 1st April, 1965.

Number of Bacteriological Samples from :

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
1. Public Mains Supplies	23	28*
2. Private Mains Supplies	0	0
3. Wells, Streams, Pumps, etc.	5	21

* From new mains extensions.

There were no cases in which plumbo solvency occured and no special action was required. Where contamination was found in private water supplies advice was given on the sterilisation of the wells and on protecting supplies from contamination.

Details of Domestic Premises and Population supplied by Public Mains

(1) Direct to Houses

Parish	No. of Houses	Population (est.)
Baschurch	230	700
Cockshutt	58	201
Ellesmere Rural	424	1,476
Great Ness	103	351
Hordley	12	39
Little Ness	41	138
Myddle	208	653
Petton	4	12
Welshampton	150	540
TOTALS	1,230	4,110

(2) By Standpipes

Baschurch	6	20
Little Ness	1	4

Drainage, Sewerage and Sewage Disposal

Arrangements for these services are inadequate, there being no public sewer anywhere in the district. The Council's Engineer and Surveyor is preparing a scheme for Cockshutt and the Consultant Engineers have been instructed to prepare schemes for Baschurch, Myddle and part of Ellesmere Rural Parish.

Treatment plants provided for Council Houses continue to be emptied by purpose-made vehicles on hire.

Housing

Number of visits under Housing Acts and Public Health Acts	637
Number of notices served	53
Number remedied by informal action	53
Number of houses demolished	1
Number of houses closed	5

Slum Clearance

This work continues to be restricted to individual unfit houses as there are no large areas of unfit houses.

There are 172 applications for Council Houses from persons living in the rural district and 65 applications from persons living elsewhere.

Work on erecting 78 new dwellings was commenced and when completed this should ease the housing problem, as, though there are many unfit houses still occupied, there is nowhere to rehouse the families if action is taken under the Housing Acts.

Many of the unfit properties are occupied by old people who pay very low rents and who are reluctant to move to new accommodation where they would have to pay rents considerably higher than they are at present paying. This is also the case with many of the younger families who, working in a mainly agricultural area, are paid considerably less than the national average wage.

Improvement Grant Scheme

Since 1949, approval has been given for improvements to over 300 dwellings—this represents approximately 20% of all dwellings built prior to 1945.

Discretionary Grants

The Council continues to encourage applications for Grant aid towards improving existing properties. The average cost per dwelling, including repairs and improvements, was £1,548.

18 applications were received and approved concerning 18 dwellings.

Standard Grants

9 applications were received and approved.

Refuse Collection and Disposal

This service comprises a fortnightly collection of domestic refuse from all parishes and is operated by two driver/loaders and one vehicle.

Two refuse tips are operating but difficulty has been experienced in obtaining suitable tip sites which do not necessitate a long haul of the refuse.

Rodent Control and Pests Acts

This work is carried out by a full time operator and consists mostly of contract work at agricultural premises. No charge is made for treatments to domestic premises.

Number of premises under Contract	53
Number of premises inspected	226
Number of premises infested	56
Number of premises treated by Council	56
Number of domestic premises treated (no charge)	8

Petroleum Spirit Licensing

Number of licensed premises	66
Number of new licenses	6
Number of visits to premises	30
Number of licenses discontinued	0
Number of licenses refused	0

Meat Inspection and Slaughterhouses

There are two Slaughterhouses in the District. One is a large factory abattoir which requires the full time services of a meat inspector, who at times requires assistance. The other is a small Slaughterhouse, run in conjunction with a country butchery business, which requires attendance twice weekly.

100% inspection of carcases and offal is carried out.

Detailed table of carcases inspected and rejected appears on page 48 Of special interest is the considerable decrease in the incidence of tuberculosis in cattle, almost all of the cases reported were reactor cattle.

The large number of carcases condemned is accounted for by the fact that one slaughterhouse is a centre for casualties and reactors from a large part of Shropshire, Herefordshire, Cheshire and North Wales.

A considerable percentage of C. Bovis is being found in cattle imported from Ireland.

Septic pericarditis, caused by the ingestion of wire, continues to be the reason for the condemnation of many casualty cattle.

Many of the "Barley Fed" cattle are found to have liver abscesses.

Most of the condemnations of organs of pigs was due to virus pneumonia and pleurisy whilst liver fluke or cavernous angioma was the reason for the condemnation of many of the bovine livers. Most of the calves were condemned for immaturity or septicaemia.

Since the coming into operation of the Meat Inspection Regulations 1963, considerable overtime has been necessary on meat inspection.

Food Preparing Premises

Number of food preparing premises	23
Number of inspections	41

Other Food Premises

Number of premises	34
Number of inspections	65

During the year there has been a general improvement of standards in all food premises.

Ice Cream Premises

There are no manufacturers in the District and all ice cream sold is prepacked.

Infectious Diseases and Food Poisoning

Scarlet Fever cases and contacts were visited on behalf of the Medical Officer of Health and numerous visits were made to human contacts of transmissible animal diseases and specimens taken as necessary.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

The number of premises registered during the year were 22 made up as follows :— 7 Offices, 9 Retail Shops, 6 Catering Establishments Open to the Public, Canteens. None of these premises was inspected.

Analysis of Persons Employed in Registered Premises by Workplace.

Offices	59
Retail Shops	19
Wholesale departments, warehouses	Nil
Catering establishments open to the public	15
Canteens	24
Fuel storage depots	Nil
TOTAL	117
Total Males	58
Total Females	59

ELLESMERE RURAL DISTRICT

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

RURAL DISTRICT OF ELLESMERE IN THE COUNTY OF SALOP

Prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1.—**INSPECTIONS** for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Number of Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	—	—	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	38	46	8	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) ...	20	26	1	—
TOTAL	58	72	9	—

2.—CASES IN WHICH **DEFECTS** WERE FOUND

(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases")

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
			Referred		
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) insufficient	3	3	—	—	—
(b) unsuitable or defective	16	12	—	—	—
(c) not separate for sexes	1	1	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-work) ...	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	20	16	—	—	—

MEAT INSPECTION

CARCASES INSPECTED AND REJECTED

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Number killed	8,841	431	5,276	5,212
Number inspected	8,841	431	5,276	5,212
ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS AND CYSTICERCOSIS :				
Whole carcases condemned	555	223	220	183
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	4,115	19	472	2,306
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticercosis	52.8%	56.1%	13.12%	47.76%
TUBERCULOSIS ONLY :				
Whole carcases condemned	5	1	—	2
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	51	—	—	433
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	0.63%	0.23%	—	8.54%
CYSTICERCOSIS ONLY :				
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	23	—	—	—
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration ...	23	—	—	—
Carcases totally condemned	—	—	—	—

Wem Rural District

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S REPORT, 1964

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

Water Supply

The East Shropshire Water Board is the water authority for the district.

Aproximately 40% of the Wem Rural District is supplied with mains water from the following sources, which vary in quality :

Prees Waterworks (Prees Village)
Higher Heath Waterworks (Higher Heath area of Prees Parish)
Acton Reynald Estate Supply (Preston Brockhurst and Grinshill)
Duchy of Lancaster Estate Supply (Ash Village in Whitchurch Rural Parish)
Meadowfield Farm Supply (Clive Village)
Hardwick Estate Supply (Hadnall, Sansaw and Grinshill)
Harcourt Estate Supply (Stanton Village)
Hadnall Supply (Hadnall Village)
Shawbury Supply (Shawbury Village)
Burlton Supply (Burlton Village)
Weston Supply (Part of Weston Parish)
Former Wem U.D. Supply (Hamlets of Aston, Barkers Green and Tilley in Wem Rural Parish; Bridleway Gate in Moreton Corbet Parish)

It is hoped to provide a water supply for Loppington Village in the near future.

The following bacteriological samples were taken from piped supplies to villages :

		No. of Coliform bacilli per 100 ml.	Faecal coli per 100 ml.
Higher Heath	20. 5.64	0	0
Prees	20. 5.64	0	0
Acton Reynald	20. 5.64	9	0
Hardwick	20. 5.64	0	0
Duchy of Lancaster	30. 9.64	9	Present
Meadowfield	30. 9.64	0	0
Acton Reynald	30. 9.64	0	0
Harcourt	30. 9.64	13	Present
Higher Heath	30.12.64	0	0
Prees	30.12.64	0	0
Harcourt	30.12.64	90	Present

The remaining 60% of the district is supplied from private bores or shallow wells. 64 bacteriological samples were taken from such sources during the year, and of these 34 proved to be satisfactory and 30 unsatisfactory. One chemical sample was taken from a private well in 1964.

On the whole the water situation in the area is unsatisfactory. A comprehensive supply of piped water is urgently required.

Swimming Baths

The two open-air swimming pools in the district at Prees Heath and Weston are supplied by bores. Regular chlorination takes place and the water is changed at weekly intervals. Each pool was sampled during the year and the results were highly satisfactory.

Drainage and Sewerage

The new sewer at Prees was completed at the end of the year. Work has begun on the Hadnall sewer and plans have been prepared for the sewering of Ash, Prees Heath, Tilstock, Clive, Yorton, Grinshill, Preston Brockhurst, Loppington and Shawbury.

Public Conveniences

There are no public conveniences in the area.

Housing

The housing survey of the whole Rural District, which is being carried out by Mr. W. H. Purslow, retired Chief Public Health Inspector Atcham R.D.C. parish. When the results have been tabulated a detailed picture of the housing situation will be available.

The Anglo-Polish temporary site at Higher Heath has been cleared and all the occupants have now been rehoused by the Council. 8 Demolition Orders and 4 Closing Orders were made during 1964 and undertakings were accepted in respect of 5 other properties.

38 houses were built by private enterprise during the year and a further 60 are under construction. 20 houses were under construction for the Council at the end of 1964. The older Council Estates are being gradually re-conditioned.

Improvement Grant Scheme

Discretionary Grants	Received	Approved	Rejected
No. of applications ...	20	20	0
No. of dwellings	25	25	0
Standard Grants	14	14	0

Moveable Dwellings

Number of site licences at the end of 1964	22
Number of inspections	56

Food Preparing Premises

Number of food preparing premises	22
Number of inspections	57

Other Food Premises

Number of premises	29
Number of inspections	51

Disposal of Condemned Food

The small amount of food condemned was disposed of at the refuse tip.

Ice Cream

All ice cream sold is pre-packed. 14 visits were made in connection with the sale of ice-cream.

Slaughterhouses, Butchers and Meat Inspection

One slaughterhouse and one slaughterman were licensed at the end of 1964. 58 visits were made to the slaughterhouse and 2 butchers shops in the area.

During holiday periods, Mr. W. H. Purslow carried out meat inspection duties, and I am extremely grateful for his help.

CARCASES INSPECTED

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	61	—	—	257	144
Number inspected	61	—	—	257	144
ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS AND CYSTICERCOSIS :					
Whole carcases condemned	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1	—	—	—	1
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticercosis	1.6	—	—	—	0.68
TUBERCULOSIS ONLY :					
Whole carcases condemned	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	—
CYSTICERCOSIS					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration ...	—	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally condemned	—	—	—	—	—

2 lbs. of offal were condemned

Infectious Diseases

A total of 23 visits were made in connection with infectious diseases.

Food Poisoning

There were no cases of food poisoning reported during 1964. 83 visits were made in connection with the Aberdeen typhoid outbreak.

Nuisances

71 visits were made in response to complaints of nuisance through the tipping of manure near houses, and one Statutory Notice was served.

Verminous Premises

4 visits were made to premises reported to be verminous, and disinfestation was satisfactorily carried out.

Common Lodging Houses

There are no common lodging houses in the district.

Refuse Collection

The refuse collection is carried out by contract, approximately 2,700 properties being served fortnightly. The number of houses from which a collection is made increased slightly in the course of the year. A new four-wheel drive mechanical shovel was purchased in November, this will facilitate controlled tipping at the Sleap and Northwood tips.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

The following is a summary of the work carried out under this Act by all members of the staff.

Annual Contracts	52
Single Treatments	7
Domestic Premises treated (free or charge)	46
No. of properties inspected	1396
(a) Council properties	32
(b) Dwelling houses	209
(c) Agricultural premises	823
(d) Other premises, including business and industrial	332
No. of properties found to be infested with rats	374
No. of notices served under Section 4 of the Act	—
No. of premises where rodent control was in progress by the occupiers at the end of 1964	66
No. of properties cleared of rats	308

Mr. Brayne, our rodent operator, carried out his duties in his usual efficient manner.

Petroleum Acts

5 new petrol tanks were tested and licensed during 1964, and the total number on the register is now 90. 30 visits were made in connection with the Petroleum Acts.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

The main provisions of the new Act came into operation on August 1st, 1964. The bulk of the inspections have been carried out by Mr. W. H. Purslow, and it is certain that a great deal of work will be needed to bring all the registered premises up to the required standard.

The following is a summary of the inspections carried out up to the end of the year :

	No. of Registered Premises	No. Receiving a General Inspection
Offices	6	3
Retail Shops	15	12
Warehouses	1	—
Catering Establishments	13	11

A total of 81 visits was made.

WEM RURAL DISTRICT

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

RURAL DISTRICT OF WEM IN THE COUNTY OF SHROPSHIRE

Prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1.—**INSPECTIONS** for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Number of Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	2	4	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	38	41	—	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) ...	5	4	—	—
TOTAL	45	49	—	—

2.—CASES IN WHICH **DEFECTS** WERE FOUND

(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases")

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
			Referred		
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ...	1	1	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) ...	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) insufficient	—	1	—	1	—
(b) unsuitable or defective	—	—	—	—	—
(c) not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-work) ...	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	1	2	—	1	—

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